

**Village of Pawnee  
Board of Trustees  
Minutes of May 8, 2006**

**Call to Order**

- Trustee Joette Manning called the meeting to order at 7:11 p.m.

**Roll Call**

- Village Clerk, Cynthia Kramer, called roll
- Trustees in attendance: Steven Gudgel, Tom Bowen, Phillip Thompson, Joette Manning, Jeff Thomas and Bill Miller
- Absent: Village President Kenton Manning
- Also in attendance: Jon Anderson, Sales Manager – Hoerr Construction, Attorney John Myers, Chief Bowsher

Motion made by Trustee Phillip Thompson to appoint Trustee Joette Manning as mayor pro tem  
Second by Trustee Miller

Roll Call Vote Taken: Gudgel-yes, Bowen-yes, Thompson-yes, Manning-yes, Thomas-yes and Miller-yes

Motion Carried (6- 0)

**Recognition/Comment/s of Visitor/s**

- Jon Anderson, Sales Manager, Hoerr Construction. Mr. Anderson was to give a Power Point presentation at this time, however due to computer and digital projector problems the presentation was delayed until mid meeting. Mr. Anderson spent about an hour with trustees, the first half being the Power Point presentation regarding C.I.P.P. (cured-in-place pipelining method of trenchless sewer rehabilitation) with the second half consisting of a question and answer period.

**Clerk's Comments**

- Minutes of April 24, 2006 were presented for review and approval.  
Motion made by Trustee Thompson to approve the April 24, 2006 minutes as presented.  
Second by Trustee Thomas  
Roll Call Vote Taken: Gudgel-yes, Bowen-yes, Thompson-yes, Manning-yes, Thomas-yes and Miller-yes  
Motion Carried (6-0)

**Gas and Water Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Manning**

- The only item for the Gas and Water Committee report is Mr. Anderson's presentation regarding trenchless sewer rehabilitation.

**Park Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Manning**

- The ferns for the pavilion have come in, not placed as yet as weather is still questionable. Picked up plants for the large stationary pots as well.
- Met with Don Kern to discuss new gutters and wrapping of pavilion posts. Kern stated it should not be a problem to have gutters installed and posts wrapped in time for Pawnee Prairie Days.
- Village informed by Tom Lederbrand that the power box on the square is not working properly. Trustee Manning asked, if trustees did not object, to have Paul Mottar of Mottar Electric fix the power box in time for Prairie Days at a cost of \$200 to cover cost of materials and labor. Trustees did not object to Mr. Mottar repairing the power box.

**Personnel & Finance Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Bowen**

- Regarding Personnel, Trustees Bowen, Manning and Thomas interviewed nine (9) candidates for summer youth employment. Hiring recommendation based on the interview, experience and maturity level.

Motion made by Trustee Bowen to approve hiring Andy Lee, Seth Carter, Cody Grant and Braden Kindernay as summer youth employees at a rate of \$6.50/hr. with employment beginning June 5 and concluding August 15, 2006

Second by Trustee Gudgel

Roll Call Vote Taken: Gudgel-yes, Bowen-yes, Thompson-yes, Manning-yes, Thomas-yes and Miller-yes

Motion Carried (6-0)

- Village CD's have come up for renewal. United Community Bank offered best six-month rate, 5.05%, it is Treasurer Glenn Smith's recommendation to roll over the CD's.

Motion made by Trustee Bowen to roll over CD's with United Community Bank at a rate of 5.05% for six months. The maturity date is May 13

Second by Trustee Thompson

Roll Call Vote Taken: Gudgel-yes, Bowen-yes, Thompson-yes, Manning-yes, Thomas-yes and Miller-yes

Motion Carried (6-0)

- Bills Payable was presented for approval.

Motion made by Trustee Bowen to accept the bills payable as presented.

Second by Trustee Thompson

Roll Call Vote Taken: Gudgel-yes, Bowen-yes, Thompson-yes, Manning-yes, Thomas-yes and Miller-yes

Motion Carried (6-0)

- Good news regarding the Village's "Sweep Accounts" as interest is paid daily, currently the interest rate is 3.04%, however after May 2 the interest rate will rise to 4.6%

#### **Streets, Alleys and Sidewalk Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Bowen**

- Working on at least eight or nine complaints regarding weeds and non-mowing

#### **Police Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Miller**

- Police officers will undergo another FX Semination training session May 18 at the former Stuffing's home that the Pawnee Fire Department will utilize for a practice burn on May 20.

- The school was broken into last Thursday and \$400 was taken. Officers arrested a juvenile this date and are looking for an adult accomplice.

Motion made by Trustee Miller to accept the police report as presented.

Second by Trustee Gudgel

Roll Call Vote Taken: Gudgel-yes, Bowen-yes, Thompson-yes, Manning-yes, Thomas-yes and Miller-yes

Motion Carried (6-0)

#### **Sewer Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Thompson**

- No problems, everything is running very smoothly

#### **Zoning Committee Report: Committee Chair, Trustee Gudgel**

- Attempted to make contact with Mr. Scott to make arrangements for myself and Joe Green to inspect his resident on Nelson Street, he would not return my calls. Attorney Myers stated Mr. Scott did contact him with numerous excuses as to why he could not return Mr. Gudgel's calls. Myers told Trustee Gudgel to have Alex Rabin go back to court to get a set date for inspection.

- We are going to amend the ordinance regarding swimming pool fences. As an example, currently an in-ground pool requires a fence around the cement of the pool. If the pool owner wants a privacy fence as well that meant a secondary fence enclosing the yard. We are going to eliminate the fence requirement around the cement of the pool as long as there is an enclosed fence yard to inhibit entry to the pool area.

- Trustee Jeff Thomas asks if permit requirements are going to be amended for child "wading pools". According to Thomas all little kids pools now being sold are 30 inches, not 24 inches. Discussion ensued with trustees coming to the conclusion that any pool, whether in-ground or above ground of at least 4 feet in depth be fenced or protected from entry.

- Gudgel stated he wanted to check on the cleaning money paid out. Is it normal to have three people cleaning? He was told that Sam Neal's Cleaning Service appeared for payment due to heavy cleaning following a sewer backup.

### **Unfinished Business/Correspondence**

- Trustee Manning asked to return to discussion regarding Gas and Water. Mayor pro tem Manning read letter from the City of Taylorville in interested in opening discussion with the villages of Kincaid, Tovey and Pawnee as well as Otter Lake Water Commission regarding a reciprocal emergency interconnect agreement for water delivery. If Pawnee is interested, to contact Frank Mathon, Mayor of Taylorville. According to attorney Myers that request should go directly to Otter Lake Water Commission.
- Treasurer Glenn Smith brought this to my attention. UCB is now going to start charging \$4.50 on returned checks on utility customers. The village currently has a \$10 fee for NSF and the suggestion is the fee be raised to \$15. Manning asked attorney Myers if trustees could vote to change the fee or was an ordinance required. Myers stated he would have to review the current ordinance to determine if an ordinance is needed.
- The Village will be flushing hydrants at sometime during the month of May. People should check water for discoloration or sediment before doing laundry

### **New Business/Correspondence**

- Received letter from Pastor Bennett and Pastor Lytle thanking and commending the village for taking proactive steps to ensure the ongoing safety of everyone in the community during severe weather and reiterating the church will serve as an emergency shelter during severe weather day or night.
- Ordinance 02-06 presented for approval  
Motion made by Trustee Manning to approve Ordinance 02-06 authorizing Village Expenditures Pending Adoption of Annual Appropriation Ordinance.  
Second by Trustee Bowen  
Roll Call Vote Taken: Gudgel-yes, Bowen-yes, Thompson-yes, Manning-yes, Thomas-yes and Miller-yes  
Motion Carried (6-0)  
Motion made by Trustee Manning approving Village signing an intergovernmental agreement with the Sangamon County Health Department for \$1,064.42 for animal control.  
Second by Trustee Thomas  
Roll Call Vote Taken: Gudgel-yes, Bowen-yes, Thompson-yes, Manning-yes, Thomas-yes and Miller-yes  
Motion Carried (6-0)

### **Motion to Adjourn**

- Motion was made by Trustee Thomas to adjourn the meeting  
Second by Trustee Miller  
Voice Vote Taken: six ayes, 0 nays  
Motion Carried (6-0)
- Meeting adjourned at 8:53 p.m. on Monday, May 8, 2006. The next scheduled meeting of the Pawnee Village Board of Trustees is Monday, May 22, 2006 at 7 p.m. at the Village Hall.

Respectfully Submitted

Cynthia S. Kramer  
Village Clerk